

**Chambers of District Judge R. David Proctor**

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**R. David Proctor**

District Judge

Date of Birth: December 5, 1960  
Education: Carson-Newman 1983 BA; Tennessee 1986 JD  
Began Service: September 24, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk H. Emory Widener, Jr., United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1986-1987)

**Legal Practice:** Sirote & Permutt, P.C. (1987-1993); Proctor, Lehr Middlebrooks Price (1993-2003)

**Current Memberships:** Alabama State Bar Association; Birmingham Bar Association

**Staff**

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**L. Scott Coogler**

District Judge

Education: Alabama 1981 BA, 1984 JD  
Began Service: June 3, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of Alabama - Tuscaloosa (2000-2003)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Judge Paul Conger, Alabama Sixth Judicial Circuit Court (1984)

**Judicial:** Judge, Alabama Sixth Judicial Circuit Court (1999-2003)

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**Virginia Emerson Hopkins**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1952  
Education: Alabama 1974 BA; Virginia 1977 JD  
Began Service: June 2004  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Private Practice (1977-2004)

**Staff**

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**J. Foy Guin, Jr.**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1924  
Education: Alabama 1947 AB, 1947 JD  
Began Service: 1973  
Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Corporate:** President, Abstract Trust Company, Inc. (1958-1973); Secretary, Iuka TV Cable Company, Inc.; General Counsel, Franklin Federal Savings and Loan; Secretary, Haleyville TV Cable Company, Inc.; General Counsel, First National Bank of Russellville

**Legal Practice:** Senior Partner, Guin, Guin, Bouldin & Porch (1948-1973)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1943-1946)

**Current Memberships:** Alabama Law Institute; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute; Farrah Order of Jurisprudence; Federal Bar Association; Jefferson County Bar Association; Farrah Law Alumni Society, University of Alabama System; World Peace Through Law Center

**Staff**

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**James Hughes Hancock**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1931  
Education: Alabama 1953 BS, 1957 LLB  
Began Service: 1973  
Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Balch, Bingham, Baker, Hawthorne, Ward & Williams (1957-1973)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1953-1955)

**Current Memberships:** Alabama State Bar Association; American Bar Association; Birmingham Bar Association

**Chambers of Senior Judge Robert B. Propst**

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**Robert B. Propst**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1931  
Education: Alabama 1953 BS, 1957 JD  
Began Service: 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Wilson, Propst, Isom, Jackson, Bailey & Bolt (1957-1980)

**Military Service:** United States Army Finance Corps (1953-1955)

**Staff**

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**William M. Acker, Jr.**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1927  
Education: Birmingham-Southern 1949 AB; Yale 1952 LLB  
Began Service: September 1982  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Graham, Bibb, Wingo & Foster (1952-1957); Partner, Smyer, White, Reid & Acker (1957-1972); Partner, Dominick, Fletcher, Yeilding, Acker, Wood & Lloyd (1972-1982)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1946-1947)

**Current Memberships:** Alabama State Bar Association; Birmingham Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Paul W. Greene**

Chief Magistrate Judge

Education: South Alabama 1970 BA; Cumberland 1981 JD  
Term Expires: 2012

**Staff**

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**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Terry Michael Putnam**

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**Terry Michael Putnam**

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
Education: Alabama 1976 BA, 1979 JD  
Began Service: February 9, 1987  
Term Expires: February 8, 2011

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Potts & Young (1979-1983); Partner, Potts, Young, Blasingame & Putnam (1983-1987)

**Current Memberships:** Alabama State Bar Association; Federal Magistrate Judges Association

**Staff**

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**Robert R. Armstrong, Jr.**

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
Education: Alabama 1970 BA; Cumberland 1974 JD  
Began Service: August 8, 1990  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Judicial:** Presiding Judge, Alabama Circuit Court, 18th Judicial Circuit, Shelby County (1987-1990)

**Staff**

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